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CERAMIC HEATER AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME AND

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents AND Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fee or examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the specification and claims as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 8, line 2, change "Fig. 5 is a diagrammatic view" to --Figs. 5a - 5d are diagrammatic

views--; and

line 5, change "Fig. 6 is a diagrammatic view" to --Figs. 6a and 6b are diagrammatic

views--.